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Reply to Office action of September 5, 2003

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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : Ning Xue  
Serial No. : 09/460,965  
Filed : December 14, 1999  
Art Unit : 2621  
Examiner : Werner, Brian P.  
Title : METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR REDUCING BLOCK  
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DATED: December 12, 2003

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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated September 5, 2003, for which the three month shortened statutory period for reply is set to expire on December 5, 2003. A Petition for One Month extension of time has been submitted with this response. While it is believed that no further additional extension of time or any other additional fees are necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to grant any needed extension of time and to charge any additional fees which may be required for this Response, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 12-2252.

**Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.**